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**REMARKS ACCOMPANYING**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Examiner:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Information Disclosure Statement are being submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due dated August 4, 2008, having a shortened statutory period set to expire on November 4, 2008. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

No Amendments to the Claims are presented in this paper, however a current listing of claims begins on **page 2** of this paper.

No Amendments to the Drawings are presented in this paper.

**Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.**